

NOAA RESTORATION DAY 2005

****Wetlands Planting****



Who: **Station Lead:** Rich Takacs
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Local Partner: Jason Meyers, Nursery
Volunteers: 40-50

What: Much of the site was planted in 2003 following completion of construction. A small portion of the site has failed to take hold, either from settling of the site post-planting, or limited erosion losses from large storms. We are filling in these patches, leaving the beach face open and unvegetated, since the beach itself is important habitat.

When: Multiple planting activities throughout the day.

Where: Volunteers meet at lower wetland site, and then divide into smaller groups.

How: Use planting tools (either the orange dibble sticks or the power augers work best), and have on person create holes about 4-5" deep about 12 inches apart (deeper is better than shallow, otherwise plugs can get uprooted). The next person applies a film canister of Osmocote fertilizer, and the third person places plug into hole and returns dirt fill. The blue area is Spartina alterniflora; the yellow area is Spartina patens, and the orange/red area is switchgrass Panicum virgatum

Other Details:

- Pay attention to the color-coded planting system.
- Be careful with various powered & non-powered planting tools. Ask for help if not sure.
- If you should be injured in any way, please let your team leader know ASAP.
- First Aid kits will be located at the Oyster/SAV area, at the Pavilion, and Wetland Site.

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